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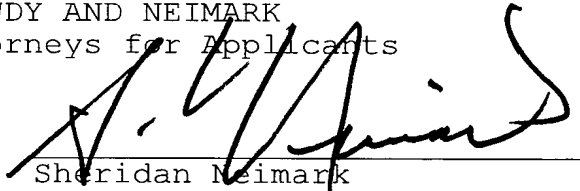
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## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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**A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER**  
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Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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**C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT**

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AE A	US 5 827 181 A (DIAS J FLEMING ET AL) 27 October 1998 (1998-10-27) column 2, line 45 -column 3, line 44 column 4, line 40 -column 5, line 26; tables 1,3	1
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